

NEWS RELEASE

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NOVELTY ITEM RESEMBLING FIREARM INVESTIGATED AT FAUQUIER HIGH SCHOOL

WARRENTON – A student in possession of a novelty item that resembles a firearm is under investigation. The student is facing criminal charges after displaying what others thought to be firearm today at Fauquier High School.

The School Resource Officer (SRO) was made aware this afternoon of a student possibly in possession of a firearm in the building. The student was identified and upon further investigation the alleged firearm was discovered to be a cigarette lighter novelty item. The 16 year old male student was taken into custody.

He is charged with brandishing an object similar in appearance to a firearm and disorderly conduct. A detention order was issued and he is being held at a regional juvenile detention facility.

The Sheriff's Office and Fauquier County Public Schools continue to work together to ensure a safe environment for students and faculty.

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